



2027

YEAR 10 ELECTIVE SELECTION



BALLAJURA COMMUNITY COLLEGE





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OVERVIEW

This booklet contains information on all Electives that are being offered for Year 10 2026.

Please take the time to carefully consider all of the Arts, Technologies, and Physical Education subject information contained here.

If you have any questions about the Electives that are not answered in this booklet, please see the relevant Head of Learning Area or your teacher for more information.

You will be able to choose your Elective courses for next year using Subject Selection Online (SSO). Information on how to access this has been placed in the daily notices and emailed to you. Please read this information carefully.

Students who do not choose their subjects before the SSO closing date will have their subjects chosen for them unless prior arrangement has been made with student services before the closing date.

Thank you.

Mr Smith
Deputy Principal – Years 9 & 10



THE ARTS

Course	Course Code
Digital Studio	ODS

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

Take your ideas from concept to reality by creating and launching your own product and brand. Invent a product, develop its logo and visual identity, design realistic packaging, photograph it and create an advertising campaign to promote it. You will use Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator while developing practical skills used in graphic design, branding, advertising and marketing. You do not need to have completed Year 9 Digital Studio, everything you need to get started will be taught during the course.

Course	Course Code
Visual Arts 2D	OVA2D

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

A highly practical subject where students specialise in 2D art forms such as drawing, painting, printmaking, photo and digital media, graphics, textiles, or collage. Students explore creative activities that encourage personal fulfilment through designing and making two-dimensional artworks. Students will use a variety of mediums, techniques and digital technologies to produce artworks and develop an understanding of the elements and principles of art. This dynamic course will prepare you for further studies in Visual Arts studies, including the General and Certificate II courses. It will give you the head start you need to develop strong practical and art appreciation skills to be successful right from the start! Projects may include large & small drawings, creative screen prints, paintings exploring identity, architecture and / or landscape, urban art and stencilling, amongst many other project offerings.



Course	Course Code
Visual Arts 3D	OVA3D

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

A high energy, dynamic and enjoyable hands-on subject in which students specialise in the area of ceramics and sculpture. Students engage in creative sculptural activities that encourage personal fulfilment through designing and making three-dimensional artworks. A variety of sculptural mediums, techniques and digital technologies will be explored. This subject provides opportunities for students to build knowledge and skills in preparation for the Visual Arts ATAR, General and Certificate II courses. Projects may include ceramic natural forms, human skulls, bizarre & mythical creatures, totems, and wire sculptures, functional and decorative works along with many other possibilities. The course may include group work installations, textiles and jewellery.

Course	Course Code
Media	OMED

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

Year 10 Media Arts provides students with a focused exploration of movie trailers as a persuasive and narrative media form. Students analyse how media texts are constructed through the deliberate use of camera, editing, sound, narrative structure and genre conventions to position audiences and shape meaning. This theoretical understanding is applied through the planning, production and evaluation of an original movie trailer, which may be fictional or non-fictional, provided it adheres to established conventions of the medium. Aligned with the Western Australian Curriculum, the course develops the analytical, creative and technical skills required for progression into the Year 11 General Media Production and Analysis pathway.



Course	Course Code
Music Excellence	OMU - Year-long subject

PRE-REQUISITES: Year 9 Music Excellence or by consultation with Head of Arts.

Students who are learning an instrument through Instrumental Music School Services (IMSS) participate in the Excellence Music course for both semesters. This course is also open to students who undertake private lessons on an instrument, through consultation with the Head of Arts. Students consolidate music skills and knowledge across a range of performing, composing, aural and analysis activities. The Year 10 music course is designed to further the music studies of students that have completed Year 9 Excellence Music or have an equivalent music background. There is a focus on practical hands-on activities where students further develop real music skills, including song writing, performing, recording, editing and mixing, in addition to the theoretical elements required as per the Year 10 Curriculum. They will experience a variety of music genres, including popular, modern rock and Australian music. This course provides a strong performing arts foundation to lead into the year 11/12 Certificate II Creative Industries.

Course	Course Code
Music and the Arts	OMATA

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

The Music and the Arts course offers students an opportunity to enjoy a combination of music, drama, and visual arts. Students will have the opportunity to learn short musical pieces on guitar or keyboard, learn about music in different eras, and immerse themselves broadly in the Arts with opportunities such as theatrical performance, and artistic story boards. The course develops skills such as creativity, critical thinking, and communication skills, and provides the foundations for progression into the Year 11/12 Certificate II Creative Industries.

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

HOSPITALITY & LIVING

Course	Course Code
Food Technology	OFT

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

Unleash your inner chef in our Year 10 Food Technology course and not only take home your newfound skills but your delicious handmade dishes. Whether you're looking to impress with your practical skills or seeking a rewarding experience, our cooking classes promise to tantalize your taste buds and inspire your culinary creativity. Students will be given the opportunity to develop their practical skills and food knowledge through a wide range of immersive activities. This course is a great path if you wish to continue to Certificate II in Hospitality in Year 11.

OTHER: A supply of reusable containers is compulsory.

Course	Course Code
Childcare and Development	OCD

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

Step into the fascinating world of childcare with our dynamic Year 10 Childcare and development class. Designed to inspire and equip young minds with the essential knowledge and skills, this course offers a comprehensive exploration of childcare practices and Principle. Students will develop knowledge on fertility, conception, pregnancy, birth, and the developing years of a child. Through interactive lessons, hands-on activities, discussions and research students will gain invaluable insight into nurturing and supporting children from the very beginning and into their early years.



Course	Course Code
Budget Bites	0BB

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

Embark on a practical and delicious journey with our Year 10 Budget Bites course. Designed to help students cook tasty, nutritious meals without spending a fortune, this class builds essential life skills for the kitchen and beyond. Students will learn how to plan affordable meals, shop smart, reduce food waste, and prepare simple dishes using everyday ingredients.

Through a hands-on approach, students will develop confidence with basic cooking techniques while learning the importance of food safety and kitchen organisation. They will also explore creative ways to transform low-cost ingredients into meals that are both satisfying and visually appealing.

Whether you want to become more independent in the kitchen, cook for family and friends, or simply learn how to make great food on a budget, Budget Bites will give you the skills and confidence to make the most of every meal.

Course	Course Code
Textiles	0TX

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

Understanding of sustainability principles within the textiles industry. Identification and characteristics of textiles materials including natural fibres and synthetic fibres. Application of design thinking to textiles projects, considering function, aesthetics, and user needs. Students will develop practical skills in textile construction including hand-sewing, machine sewing, and garment construction. They will explore techniques such as pattern making, cutting, and fitting. Recognise quality standards and techniques for finishing textile products. Incorporate decorative techniques to enhance the aesthetic appeal of textile products. Conscious consideration of ethical and cultural considerations in textile design and consumption. Students will complete practical projects that integrate design, construction, and decoration techniques. Assessment of technical skills, creativity, problem-solving, and critical thinking through project work.



DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES

Course	Course Code
Technical Graphics (Design)	ODG

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

Technical Graphic Fundamentals is an introductory course aimed at providing students with a comprehensive understanding of the principles, techniques, and tools utilized in graphic design. Through a combination of theoretical learning and practical exercises, students will develop essential skills necessary for creating visually compelling designs across various mediums.

Course	Course Code
Digital Technologies	ODT

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

The year 10 Digital Technologies course builds students' ICT skills through purposeful programming, preparing them for Year 11 Applied Information Technology and providing up-to-date insight into the ever-changing world of digital technology.

Microsoft 365 skills are prioritised, including Advanced Word formatting and styles, Excel for data analysis, and database basics. Students learn to organise files, version their work, and collaborate effectively through fun, engaging, and thoughtful mini projects. Examples include building a polished report template, creating a small data dashboard, and setting up a simple contacts database.

Future technologies and work-ready skills are focused on, exploring Artificial Intelligence, Cybersecurity practice and ethics, and introducing the ideas behind quantum computing in plain language.

Students plan, build, and refine digital products which may include 3D modelling with application in computer games, an advanced MakeCode Arcade game, or a mobile app interface. Programming remains central, with fun digital art to keep projects engaging.

Across the semester, teams also apply a STEM approach to a small community problem, linking with other Technology areas.

Assessment is practical and folio based, with opportunities for extension. The course builds a clear pathway to Year 11 Applied Information Technology.



MATERIALS & CONSTRUCTION

Course	Course Code
Building and Construction	OBC

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

This course is designed as an introduction to the Construction courses in Year 11 and 12. Students will begin to develop skills and background knowledge in the following areas:

- Building safety and workplace practices
 - Background knowledge relating to construction methods and related hand tools.
 - Introduction to structural timber fabrication, bricklaying and construction phases.
- Exploration of the properties of building materials in use.

OTHER: **Safety glasses are compulsory.**

Course	Course Code
Metal Technology	OMT

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

Students with an interest in working with metals will find this course interesting. Experience will be gained by a hands-on approach to producing projects using a variety of techniques and processes. Metal welding and sheet forming are just some of the processes. Simple design aspects are included within the course so projects can suit students' personal needs. Later in the year, projects become more complex but interesting, using similar skills already learned. Further development in planning unique projects is encouraged.



Course	Course Code
Wood Technology	OWT

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

The Year 10 Wood Technology course aims to expand the students' knowledge and skills used in wood working trades, including the use of a range of tools and machines to design and produce projects from different timbers. Within the unit students will be introduced to the principles of design, safe workshop practices and to develop confidence in the competent use of the tools and equipment to produce their products.

The students will also be exposed to drawing programs such as CADD and Inventor.

OTHER: **Safety glasses are compulsory.**

HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Course	Course Code
Physical Education	OPE - Year-long subject

This subject is compulsory. Elective Health and Physical Education subjects are detailed below.

Course	Course Code
Outdoor Recreation	OOR

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

This course is a 20 week introduction to a number of components of the Outdoor Recreation courses offered at Ballajura Community College. Students will spend 3 hours per week on the practical and theoretical aspects of the course. Below is the outline of the course.

This course may include the following practical components; Indoor Rock Climbing, Bush Cooking, Beach Skills and Surf Awareness, Orienteering, Camp Craft and First Aid.

These activities will provide the basis for learning about "Life Skills and Leadership" and introduces students to some of the concepts delivered in the General Outdoor Education course. This is a great lead in for students interested in pursuing this course in Year 11 and 12. Theory will be based on the practical components with a focus on building a core of knowledge that students can develop in Year 11 and 12.

Students are expected to be at a swimming level of Stage 5 or above and will undertake 2 swimming tests aligned with the Outdoor Education and Recreation Activities Guidelines in conjunction with this. The tests will involve a 200m open water swim of at least 75% freestyle to be completed in less than 6 minutes, followed by a two-minute tread of water and then a 100m run - 100m swim - 100m run to be completed in less than five minutes. Tests will be conducted in the first week of their Beach Skills and Surf Awareness component of the course. Should a student fail either test they will not be permitted to enter the water in the following weeks of this component

*Please note: If students and parents are interested, a non-compulsory Leadership Camp may be offered with a separate fee.



Course	Course Code
Basketball Excellence Program	OBE - Year-long subject

PRE-REQUISITES: Membership in the Basketball Excellence Program in previous years.

This yearlong course relates to several components of the Physical Education Studies and Sports Coaching courses offered at Ballajura Community College. These components will be addressed through the context of Basketball. There will be a focus on building interpersonal skills and a core subject knowledge that students can develop further in Year 11 and 12.

It is anticipated that students will spend one hour per week on theoretical aspects of the course, and one hour per week consolidating their skills and applying the theoretical concepts in a practical context.

Participation in extracurricular basketball opportunities will be strongly encouraged within this course. Such opportunities may include interschool competitions, involvement in primary school basketball competitions/ trials, umpiring at lighting carnivals.

This course may include the following theoretical components: Anatomy and Physiology, Tactics and strategies, Leadership styles, Coaching sessions, Fitness components and profiles and Energy systems.



Course	Course Code
Soccer Focus Program	OSF

This is a semester course designed to develop students' skills and understanding of the world's most popular sport. The program introduces both outdoor and futsal formats, with an emphasis on the fundamentals: passing, dribbling, shooting, defending, goalkeeping, movement, and basic team systems.

Students will build confidence through drills, skill circuits, and small-sided games, applying simple tactics and developing their communication, teamwork, and game awareness.

Across the semester, students will strengthen their technical ability and decision-making while gaining an appreciation for the tactical and physical demands of soccer.

Course	Course Code
Volleyball Focus Program	OVF - Year-long subject

Volleyball Focus builds on student's fundamental volleyball skills by refining advanced techniques and tactical decision-making in both indoor and beach volleyball. Students explore positional roles, rotations, and complex team strategies, with greater emphasis on consistency, communication, and performance analysis. This subject prepares students for higher-level school competition or continued community participation.



Course	Course Code
Netball Focus	ONF

PRE-REQUISITES: NIL

This course is a 20-week introduction to several components of Physical Education and Sports Coaching courses offered at Ballajura Community College in Year 11 and 12. These components will be taught through the context of netball, highlighting the promotion of participation within physical activity amongst teenagers assisting with fostering a positive relationship for participation in sport. There will be a focus on building interpersonal skills and a developing core subject knowledge that will be beneficial for upper school Health and Physical Education courses.

It is anticipated that students will complete two sessions per week, one hour for theory and one hour for practical aspects of the course where students will be provided the opportunity to apply theoretical concepts in a practical format.

Participation in extracurricular netball opportunities will be strongly encouraged within the course where students will continue to build the reputation for sporting performance and involvement at Ballajura Community College. These opportunities may include interschool competitions, umpiring at lightning carnivals, scratch matches against neighbouring schools and the SSWA netball cup.

This course will follow a similar structure to Physical Education Studies theoretical components including Functional Anatomy, Biomechanics, Exercise Physiology and Motor Learning and Coaching but tailored to a Year 10 level of understanding.

ELECTIVE CHARGES

Course	Course Code	Voluntary Contributions	Charge
Design Arts	ODN		\$50.00
Visual Arts 2D	OVA2D	\$17.50	
Visual Arts 3D	OVA3D		\$65.00
Media	OMED		\$48.00
Music Excellence	OMU - Year-long subject		\$100.00
Music and the Arts	OMATA	\$21.50	
Food Technology	OFT		\$138.00
Childcare and Development	OCD	\$21.50	
Budget Bites	OBB	\$21.50	
Textiles	OTX	\$17.50	
Technical Graphics	ODG	\$17.50	
Digital Technologies	ODT	\$12.50	
Building and Construction	OBC	\$100.00	

ELECTIVE CHARGES (CONT.)

Course	Course Code	Voluntary Contributions	Charge
Metal Technology	OMT		\$116.00
Wood Technology	OWT		\$110.00
(COMPULSORY) Physical Education	OPE - Year-long subject	\$25.00	
Outdoor Recreation	OOR		\$126.00
Basketball Excellence	OBE - Year-long subject		\$52.00
Soccer Focus	OSF		\$26.00
Netball Focus	ONF		\$26.00
Volleyball Focus	OVF - Year-long subject		\$52.00

Subject - Voluntary Contributions

Voluntary Contributions apply to the Year 7 to 10 subjects of: English; Humanities; Mathematics; Science; Health; Physical Education; and some electives. The payment of Voluntary Contributions enables the College to buy resources that are used in the classroom such as: text books; IT infrastructure; materials such as food, wood, and metal; and equipment used in science labs and technologies.

Subject - Compulsory Charges

Compulsory Charges apply to all Year 11 and 12 subjects and some Year 9 and 10 electives. The payment of Charges is compulsory, and non-payment may result in your student being assigned to an alternative elective. Subject Charges that remain unpaid at the end of each year will carry forward to the following year and will remain on your financial Statement until paid in full. Should Charges continue to remain unpaid at the end of Year 11 and 12, they will be referred to our external debt collection agency for collection.